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- **CN 2277142Y** discloses a self-exciting permanent-magnet generator. The power converter 16 shown in FIG. 4 is a rectifying bridge circuit and operates as a rectifier but does not operate as an inverter. Furthermore, a control means 17 is a field current regulator which controls current flowing in a field winding 2 but does not control the inverter operation in the power converter 16.

- **CN 1184041A** discloses a power set of a car.

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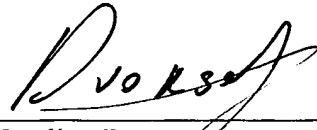
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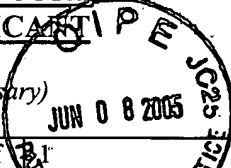
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